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Group Art Unit: 1637

Serial No. 09/530,363

Examiner: Spiegler

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Date: September 25, 2002

Title: METHOD FOR DIAGNOSING IN VITRO PATHOLOGIES ASSOCIATED WITH
GENE ARRANGEMENTS AND DIAGNOSIS KITS

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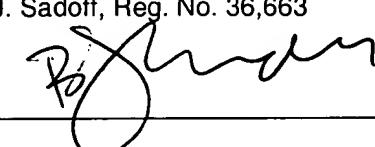
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**REQUEST
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

<i>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL</i>	<i>Application Number</i>	09/530,363	10/9
	<i>Filing Date</i>	May 1, 2000	
	<i>First Named Inventor</i>	GABERT	O P E
	<i>Group Art Unit</i>	1637	SEP 25 2002
	<i>Examiner Name</i>	Spiegler	U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE
	<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	1721-21	

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 25, 2002
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. Other Extension Petition and Extension Fees (\$1,330.00)

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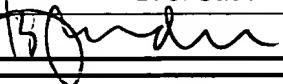
2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 35 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. Other _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 14-1140 09/26/2002 RHARIS1 00000012 09530363
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 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) Other
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Check in the amount of \$740.00 enclosed
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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